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MAR 15 1993

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

Jude Hobza
U.S. Army Corps of
Engineers - CEMRO-ED-ER
215 N. 17th Street
Omaha, NE 68102

Dear Mr. Hobza:

U.S. EPA and Illinois EPA hereby approve the Final Work Plan for the removal of hard rubber battery case material at the NL Industries Site in Granite City, Illinois. The Illinois EPA's approval letter is enclosed; please note the concerns stated in said letter.

If you have any questions concerning the enclosure, please contact me at (312) 886-4742.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brad Bradley".

Brad Bradley
Remedial Project Manager

cc: Brian Culnan, IEPA



State of Illinois

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Mary A. Gade, Director

2200 Churchill Road, Springfield, IL 62794-9276

March 10, 1993

Mr. Brad Bradley
USEPA - HSRL -6J
77 W. Jackson
Chicago, IL 60604

Re: 1190400007 -- Madison County
Taracorp/NL Industries
Superfund/Tech

Dear Mr. Bradley,

The IEPA has reviewed the "Final Work Plan For Remediation Of Locations In Granite City, Madison, And Venice, Illinois, Associated With NL Industries/Taracorp Superfund Site" (Revision 2) dated February 16, 1993. Based on this review, the IEPA concurs with and approves this work plan. However, the Agency would again like to express concern for the XRF analyzer. For the residential properties listed, which will require excavation, the document states that confirmatory samples will be taken from these areas, "in addition to the XRF screening data." Please note that in the event that confirmatory sample analysis, and XRF screening data are contradictory, the confirmatory sample analysis data must be used to confirm that the site has been excavated properly.

In addition, please explain the use of Peoria Disposal Company on page 3-9 of the Work Plan. Is PDC still considered for this project? It is the IEPAs understanding that excavated hazardous wastes will be shipped out-of-state.

Finally, the IEPA Project Manager phone number on page 13-1 of Appendix B has been misprinted. It should be printed as 217-782-6760.

Sincerely,

Brian Culnan, Remedial Project Manager
Federal Site Management Unit
Remedial Project Management Section
Bureau of Land